

# Wisconsin Farm to School

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## Farm to School Census Data Released

Hello!

We have a very special newsletter today. This morning the USDA released the highly-anticipated results of the first-ever Farm to School Census.

Here in the great state of Wisconsin, we had 264 school districts respond to the USDA Farm to School Census, and 55% of them are engaged in farm to school activities. The Wisconsin school districts that bought local products in the 2011-2012 school year spent an estimated \$32,279,155 on school food, with **\$4,344,068 of that spent locally!**

**Wisconsin schools invest in local communities with their food dollars**



To see Wisconsin's results, please visit <http://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/census/#/state/wi>

School districts that did not respond to the original request may submit responses through November 30, 2013. Please contact Sarah Elliott

### 2013 Producer Directory

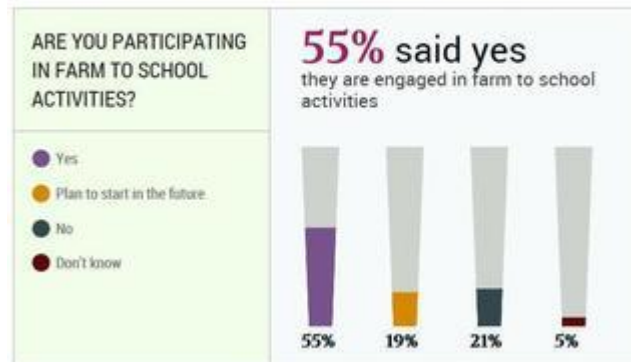
Remember the great resource available in the 2013 Producer Directory. [Click here to see it online.](#)

at [sarah.elliott@wisconsin.gov](mailto:sarah.elliott@wisconsin.gov) for information on how to update data for your school district or to complete the questionnaire so that your district can be counted.

DATCP is pleased to work with our partners to strengthen local economies by expanding markets for Wisconsin producers, promote children's health, and strengthen children's and communities' knowledge and attitudes surrounding agriculture and nutrition.

Happy National Farm to School Month!

### Healthy habits take root in Wisconsin



### Farm to School Tweet UP! Scheduled for Wednesday, October 23 at 3 pm ET

@USDANutrition will host Farm to School National Director Deborah Kane on Wednesday, October 23rd at 3 pm ET for a twitter chat on farm to school. Kane will answer questions about the Census, talk farm to school strategies, and hear from schools across the country just starting out or actively engaged in farm to school programming. What's growing in your school garden right now? Who's your school's favorite farmer? Tell us Wednesday, October 23rd at 3 pm ET by using #USDAF2S or #healthiernextgen. This is also a great time to be using #F2SMonth.

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